

FAILED TO EXTORT

GOLD FROM A BANKER.

Respected Citizen of Bonner
Springs, Kas., Arrested on a
Sensational Charge.

NOW THE CAPTURE WAS MADE.

Frank Warner Put Slugs in Bag
Instead of \$1,000 and Placed

It at Place Designated— Bearden Caught.

Gomer Springs, Kas., Feb. 27.—M. D. Bearden, a respected citizen, is under arrest here charged with an attempt to force \$1,000 from Frank Warner, cashier and principal owner of the bank at this place, under pain of death to himself and family, and the

Arrested, it is alleged, while picking off with a bag of slugs supposed to contain money, which was left at a spot designated in a threatening letter received by the banker.

Varnar had received a letter headed "Silence or Death," and dated Kansas City, Mo., February 23. It reiterated that the writer, who was a member of a gang of

men, intended to kidnap the banker's wife, and for ransom unless he could find \$100 in gold in the bank. He considered the steps leading to the Odd Fellows' Hall, a short distance from the business part of the town.

How the Arrest Was Made.

"The letter contained drops mention of kidnapping, and says:

'If you fall in any point, or if you make any part of this letter known to any one at the bank, you will be blown up with dynamite and all the folks will be killed.' Your part as told, or, if you don't, your eyes are numbered.

"The letter was given to few friends into his confidence, ordered the gold, and had it on display in the bank. Later he filled the bag with slugs and deposited it as directed, and concealing himself near by.

"The steps led up to the entrance of the Odd Fellows' Lodge, of which Beardsen was a member. It was the night of the

Bearden, according to Wood, drew out the bag and started away, when Wood ordered him to halt. Bearden, it is said, drew the heavy bag at Wood and ran. He was taken in charge by Deputy Sheriff Clifford.

Bearden has lived in Bonner Springs for fifteen years and has borne a good reputation. He has a wife and two children.

PASSED THE EXAMINATION

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Pharmacists and Assistants Given
Their Certificates.

PUBLIC SPECIAL.
Springfield, Ill., Feb. 27.—At the examination held by the State Board of Pharmacy, Chicago, February 19 to 21, the following passed as registered pharmacists and assistant pharmacists:

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Hol., M. W. Williams, V. C. Woolfery, H. D. Williams, all of Chicago, and A. G. Anshauer, Springfield; E. Bach, Jr., Taylorville; J. T. Bray, Mett, F. S. Olin, Olney; R. L. Blevins, St. Louis; G. S. Dunley, Bushnell; J. W. Fisher, Woodstock; C. P. Frison, Champaign; R. C. Johnston, Alton; J. F. Kuicks, Joinoia; A. Reichenbach, Joilet; R. R. Smith, Rock Island; M. D. East Lyna, W. C. Seibert, Ashland; J. Selby, Pekin; F. L. Smith, La Grange; R. Stilgen, Freeport; G. W. Wells, Strator; Gustafson, Rock Island; J. W. Wilson, Virginia; E. Bowles, J. W. Blackledge, A. G. Cummings, F. Cummings, C. J. Delbridge, H. R. Deed, W. R. Engert, R. N. Fernholm, F. L.

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Quincey: F. N. Alexander, Fairfield, W. L. Baker,
 Schelle; L. T. Barwick, Byron; H. P. Johnson,
 Quincy; R. W. Brown, Quincy; C. C. Brown,
 Quincy; A. S. Coover, Sayre; A. C. J.
 Ferrer, La Salle; B. H. Haines, Taylorville; F.
 Heldbreder, Quincy; A. P. Mena, Ansonia;
 W. Houseman, Farmer City; E. A. Ames,
 J. V. Jones, Quincy; C. M. Lusk, Quincy;
 Rockford; W. J. Letheringer, Petersburg;
 D. Manning, Ladd; A. W. Miller, Champaign;
 A. McCormick, Jr., Hennepin; T. Mervin,
 Quincy; W. E. Miller, Quincy; H. L. Smith,
 Granite; C. M. Snow, Earlville; W. L. Suth-
 ard, Centuria; J. L. Sweeting, Normal; Fred
 Tate, Greenville; F. E. Watson, Mineral; L.

HUNDREDS TAKE THE OATH.
Pro-American Sentiment Said to
Be Spreading in Philippines.

the oath of allegiance at Camiling, province of Albay, at one time reported next to Luzon, the worst insurgent center, and 554 took the oath at Calamba. Captain Chase, with a detachment of the fifty-first Regiment, in a three day cutting expedition, dispersed 200 insurgents and destroyed their main camp, that of the Cabelleros. Lieutenant James, with a detachment of the Eighth Infantry, raided a hideout near the town of Aguas, island of Polillo, killing two men, securing 15 prisoners and

destroying twenty tons of rice and other
urgent supplies.

BELL COMPANY LOSES SUITS.

Earlier Patent Held Invalid by
Federal Court at Boston.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 27.—Judge Brown of
United States Circuit Court has decided
against the American Bell Telephone Com-

in the famous Berliner patent case. The suits were the Bell company against National Telephone Manufacturing company, and same against the Century telephone Company, brought to restrain defendants from selling, using or making phones or telephonic apparatus, with microphone attachment, and to account the Bell company for past use, manufacture and sales, upon the ground that it was a patent right.

It is understood that an appeal will be made from the decision, and that it will be

ried to the United States Supreme Court on this appeal.

WAS TEXAS RANCHMAN ONCE.

Englishman Weds Lady of High Degree and Long Name.

London, Feb. 27.—The Honorable Claude Lawson, a brother of the Earl of Litchfield, was married to Lady Clodagh de la Poer

Harford, a sister of the Marquis of Waterbury, in London to-day. The Marquis of Waterbury, the bride away.

The bridegroom passed some years on a ranch in Texas.

Husband Soon Follows Wife.

PUBLIC SPECIAL.

El Paso, Mo., Feb. 27.—Samuel Washburn, one of the old residents of this county in this city yesterday of pneumonia at the age of 71 years. His wife died at the same time, having died at the same time.